

## **FISCAL NOTE**

### **HB 3267 - SB 3554**

February 19, 2008

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Establishes a certification program for Art Therapists and authorizes the Board of Professional Counselors to grant, deny, or discipline the license. Creates application fees of \$100 and triennial renewal fees of \$100. Creates a civil penalty of not more than \$1,000 for anyone who holds him or herself out to be a certified art therapist.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Revenue – Not Significant**

**Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant**

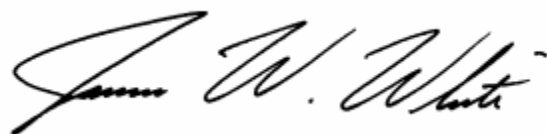
**Other Fiscal Impact - The Board of Professional Counselors will hold an additional meeting in FY09 at a total cost of \$2,200 for travel reimbursements, per diem, and a court reporter. These one-time expenditures can be funded from existing resources of the Board without the collection of additional revenue.**

Assumptions:

- Currently, individuals who are licensed as professional counselors are authorized to practice art therapy. It is unknown how many individuals will apply for certification as an art therapist, but is estimated to be not significant.
- A not significant increase in revenue from collection of additional civil penalties.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code. Ann. §§4-3-1011 and 63-1-137, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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